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August 4, 2008

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Dean C. Logan
Acting Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
Los Angeles County
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK
12400 Imperial Highway, 3rd Floor, Room 3207
Norwalk, CA 90650

Re: William S. Hart Union High School District - General Obligation Bond Election –
November 4, 2008

Dear Mr. Logan:

Our firm is representing the William S. Hart Union High School District ("District") as bond counsel for a general obligation bond election to be conducted within the boundaries of the District on November 4, 2008. This cover letter is provided at the District's request. On July 16, 2008, the Governing Board of the District adopted Resolution No. 0809-01 ("Resolution") calling a general obligation bond election within the District for November 4, 2008. This Resolution orders a general obligation bond election to be held within the boundaries of the Improvement District on November 4, 2008, establishes specifications of the election, and requests consolidation with other elections occurring within the District boundaries on November 4, 2008. **Please note that this election is called pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39 and its related legislation.**

Please find enclosed with this letter the following:

1. A letter request from the District's Superintendent to proceed with conducting this bond election as set forth in Resolution No. 0809-01;
2. A signed and certified copy of Resolution No. 0809-01; and
3. The signed Tax Rate Statement, provided pursuant to Elections Code Section 9400 *et seq.*, for this bond measure.

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We request that you provide our offices and the District with a calendar of events for this election (in particular the due date for arguments in favor of the bond measure). We are also filing a copy of the Resolution with the Los Angeles County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors offices to request consolidation with any other elections being conducted within the District on the November 4, 2008, election date. Please advise us as soon as possible if there are any additional documents which your office requires to conduct this election.

Please note that the Bond Measure (proposition) text, the Bond Measure Statement (Elections Code Section 13247(a)) and the proposed form of the School Bond Election Notice are attached to the Resolution as exhibits. **The District is specifically requesting (as set forth in the District's letter and Resolution No. 0809-01), that pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b), that the full text of the Bond Measure (Exhibits "B" and "1" of the Resolution) be published in the ballot pamphlet distributed to voters.** We can provide Exhibits "B" and "1" in electronic form if so desired by your offices.

Please also note that pursuant to Education Code Section 15272 the statement concerning the citizen's oversight committee must be published in the ballot pamphlet distributed to voters (please see Section 12 of the Resolution).

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or the District.

Very truly yours,

BOWIE, ARNESON,
WILES & GIANNONE



By:

Robert E. Anslow

REA/ad

Enclosures

cc: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,
Sachi Hamai, Executive Officer (w/encl)(overnight)

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William S. Hart Union High School District

July 18, 2008

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Dean C. Logan
Acting Registrar of Voters
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK
Los Angeles County
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Re: William S. Hart Union High School District - General Obligation Bond Election -
November 4, 2008

Dear Mr. Logan:

On July 16, 2008, the Governing Board of the William S. Hart Union High School District ("District") adopted Resolution No. 0809-01 ("Resolution") calling a general obligation bond election within the District for November 4, 2008. Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code Section 5322, please find enclosed a certified copy of the Resolution. This Resolution orders a general obligation bond election to be held within the District on November 4, 2008, establishes specifications of the election, and requests consolidation with other elections, if any, occurring within the District boundaries on November 4, 2008. **Please note that this election is called pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39 and its related legislation.**

We request that you provide the District and our Bond Counsel (Bowie, Arneson, Wiles & Giannone, 4920 Campus Drive, Newport Beach, California 92660) with a calendar of events for this election. We are also filing a copy of the Resolution with the Los Angeles County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to request consolidation with any other elections being conducted within the District on the November 4, 2008, Statewide General Election date.

Please note that the Bond Measure (proposition) text, the Bond Measure Statement (Elections Code Section 13247(a)) and the proposed form of the School Bond Election Notice are attached to the Resolution as exhibits. **The District is specifically requesting, pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b), that the full text of the Bond Measure**

RESOLUTION NO. 0809-01

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE WILLIAM S. HART UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING A SCHOOL BOND ELECTION, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS FOR AN ELECTION ORDER, REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008, AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the William S. Hart Union High School District ("District"), a California public school district organized and operating pursuant to the laws of the State of California, desires to construct and acquire new school facilities, make improvements to existing facilities, to rehabilitate, modernize or replace certain existing school facilities, which may include the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property, all as further described herein, for school facilities to serve the students within the District as further described herein ("School Facilities"); and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Governing Board of the District ("Board") the least costly method of providing funding required for the School Facilities is by means of general obligation bonds of the District ("Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, Section 1(a) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution enacted in 1978, subject to exceptions set forth therein, limits ad valorem taxes on real property to one percent (1%) of the full cash value of such property; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 46, approved by the voters of the State of California in June, 1986 added a provision to Section 1(b) of Article XIII A to exempt from such one percent (1%) of full cash value limitation, those ad valorem taxes used to pay debt service of any bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast by the voters voting on the proposition for bonded indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act ("Proposition 39") was adopted by the voters within the State of California on June 3, 2000, amended Section 1(b) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 18(b) of Article XVI of the California Constitution, and allows a California public school district, upon approval by a two-thirds vote of its Governing Board, to incur bonded indebtedness approved in an election conducted after such date for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of facilities or real property for school facilities, in consideration of safety, class size reduction and information technology needs, to be approved by fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters of such school district provided that certain findings, determinations, certifications and requirements are applicable to such a bond election and the proposition for such bonded indebtedness includes specified accountability requirements all as set forth in Proposition 39, as approved, and related State legislation ("Proposition 39 Accountability Requirements"); and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board, it is advisable to order the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters ("County Registrar") to conduct an election within the District on the question of whether the Bonds shall be issued and sold for the purpose as set forth below and subject to the Proposition 39 Accountability Requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE WILLIAM S. HART UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. That the Board, pursuant to Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.* and 15264 *et seq.*, Section 1(b)(3) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 18(b) of Article XVI of the California Constitution, hereby orders and calls an election to submit to the electors of the District the question of whether Bonds will be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money to finance the School Facilities listed on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, which is also on file at the District office and is incorporated herein by this reference, and for paying costs incident thereto, which election will occur on a Statewide General Election Date. The amount of the Bond Authorization shall be \$300,000,000 as further set forth in the exhibits hereto.

Section 3. That the date of the election shall be November 4, 2008.

Section 4. That the purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a proposition as set forth in Section 9 hereof ("Proposition"), containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, including the Proposition 39 Accountability Requirements, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Resolution.

Section 5. That the authority for ordering the election is contained in Sections 15100 *et seq.* and 15266 of the Education Code, Section 1(b)(3) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 18(b) of Article XVI of the California Constitution as amended pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 39.

Section 6. That the authority for the specification of the election order is contained in Section 5322 of the California Education Code.

Section 7. That this Resolution constitutes the order of the District to the County Registrar to call and conduct an election within the boundaries of the District on November 8, 2008, which is a Statewide General Election Date, subject to the terms, provisions and requirements set forth herein.

Section 8. That the Clerk of the Board is directed to send, or cause to be sent, a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Registrar and a certified copy of this Resolution to the Los Angeles County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors ("County Clerk") not later than

August 8, 2008. The Clerk of the Board shall also transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools on or before August 8, 2008.

Section 9. Pursuant to Education Code Section 5342 and Part 3 (commencing with Section 10400) of Division 10 of the Elections Code, the County Registrar and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors ("County Board") are hereby requested to take any and all actions necessary to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008, within the boundaries of the District, and to take all other actions necessary to call and conduct the election specified herein. The County Registrar, the County Clerk and the County Board are hereby also requested to take all other actions necessary to conduct the election called and ordered hereby.

Section 10. Based upon the requirements of the California Constitution and State law, the Proposition to be voted on by the voters in the District in such election shall be as set forth in Exhibit "B" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. A Bond Measure Statement, to comply with Elections Code Section 13247(a), is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and incorporated herein by this reference. The form of the School Bond Election Notice is attached hereto as Exhibit "D" and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 11. That if the Bonds are approved pursuant to the requirements of the California Constitution and applicable California law, the Board of the District shall establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 1.5 of Part 10 of the California Education Code.

Section 12. Pursuant to Education Code Section 15272 and as included in Exhibit "B" attached hereto, the Board hereby directs that the County Registrar cause to be printed in or on the ballot materials for the election the following statement:

"If this Bond measure is approved, the William S. Hart Union High School District Governing Board will appoint a citizens' oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that bond funds are spent only on school and classroom improvements and for no other purposes."

Section 13. That in accordance with Education Code Section 15720, the Bonds will only be issued if the tax rate levied to meet the requirements of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution will not exceed thirty dollars (\$30) per year per one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of taxable property for the bonds authorized in this election when assessed valuation is projected by the District to increase in accordance with Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

Section 14. That, additionally, pursuant to Government Code Sections 53410 and 53411 and other provisions of State law, the Board hereby finds, determines and directs as follows:

- (a) The purpose of the Bonds to be authorized pursuant to the Election is to finance the School Facilities as described herein.

- (b) The Board hereby directs that at the time the Bonds are authorized by the Board for issuance and sale, the Board shall provide, in such issuance resolution or other bond issuance documents, that the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the purpose set forth in Section 14(a), above.
- (c) The Board hereby directs that at the time the Bonds are authorized by the Board for issuance and sale, the Board shall provide in such issuance resolution or other bond issuance documents for the creation of one or more funds or accounts (which may include subaccounts) into which the proceeds of the Bonds, or each series of Bonds as the case may be, shall be deposited. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series consistent with applicable law, including the provisions and restrictions of this Section 14, which shall apply to each such series of the Bonds.
- (d) The District's Superintendent, or the District's chief financial officer (as shall be applicable), shall have the responsibility (once the Bonds are authorized and issued) to provide to the Board, no less often than annually, a written report which shall contain at least the following information:
 - (i) The amount of the Bond proceeds received and expended within the identified period of time. If no Bonds have been issued and sold, the report may simply note such situation;
 - (ii) In the event that Bonds have been issued and sold, and proceeds therefore received, the report shall include the status of the acquisition, construction or financing of the School Facilities with the proceeds of such Bonds or series of Bonds; and
 - (iii) In the event that taxes have been levied in a fiscal year to pay principal and interest on the Bonds, the amount of principal and interest due on the Bonds in the corresponding calendar or fiscal year.

The report required by this Section 14(d) may be combined with other periodic reports which include the same information, including, but not limited to, periodic reports made to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission or continuing disclosure reports or other reports made in connection with the Bonds, or any series thereof.

The requirements of this Section 14(d) shall apply only until all Bonds, or each series of Bonds, are redeemed or defeased, but if the Bonds or any series of Bonds are refunded, such provisions shall apply until all such refunding Bonds are redeemed or defeased.

Section 15. That any or all of the members of this Board are authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election, including a rebuttal argument.

Section 16. That the Superintendent, President of the Board, and their respective designees, are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any Tax Rate Statement (prepared or provided pursuant to Elections Code Sections 9400-9404) or any other document and to perform all other acts or actions necessary to place the Bond measure called hereby on the ballot and to conduct the election ordered herein. This shall include, but shall not be limited to, payment to the County for costs or expenses incurred by the County in calling and conducting the election on the Proposition as directed herein. Such costs may, to the extent legally permissible, be recovered as a cost of issuance of the bonds if authorized by the electors.

Section 17. That the Superintendent, President of the Board, and/or their respective designee(s), are hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the proposition or the Bond Measure Statement referenced in Section 9 hereof and set forth in Exhibits "B" and "C" as required to conform to any requirements of Section 1(b) of Article XIII A, Proposition 39, State Law or the County Registrar.

Section 18. That the adoption of this Resolution is not a "project" for purposes the California Environmental Quality Act, Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code ("CEQA") but that each of the projects specified in Exhibit "A" will be accomplished in accordance with the requirements of CEQA. The Clerk of the Board is authorized and directed to complete, execute and file, or arrange for filing of, a Notice of Exemption in such regard.

Section 19. The Superintendent, President of the Board, Clerk of the Board and/or their respective designee(s), District staff and District consultants are hereby authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to do any and all things and to execute and deliver any and all documents which they may deem necessary or advisable in order to give effect to and comply with the terms and intent of this Resolution. Such actions heretofore taken by such officers, officials, consultants and staff are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

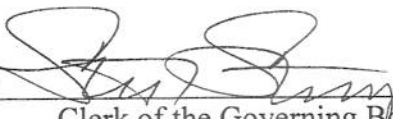
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ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 16th day of July, 2008.

**WILLIAM S. HART UNION HIGH SCHOOL
DISTRICT:**

By 
President of the Governing Board of the
William S. Hart Union High School District

ATTEST:

By 
Clerk of the Governing Board of the
William S. Hart Union High School District